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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR REGULATING THE SLIDING FORCE OF A FUSING BELT IN AN IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

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Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.

Enclosed are:

- Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (15 pages).
- Formal drawings (8 sheets, Figures 1-8).
- Declaration and Power of Attorney (3 pages).
- Assignment of the invention to KABUSHIKI KAISHA TOSHIBA and TOSHIBA TEC KABUSHIKI KAISHA.
- Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet.
- Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76).

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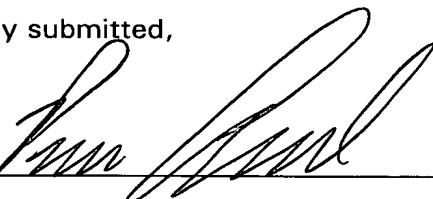
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